


REMARKS

Applicant expresses appreciation for the personal interview granted by the examiner on October 18, 2007. During the interview, the merits of claim 1 were discussed in view of Johnson, De Paoli, Gundlach, and Chaffee. Applicant explained in greater detail the method to which the claims are directed and asserted that the claims, as recited in the supplemental amendment filed September 17, 2007, avoided the prior art of record. The examiner maintained that greater clarification was necessary to avoid the Johnson and De Paoli references. Accordingly, Applicant and the examiner negotiated language that the examiner agreed would distinguish the recited invention from the Johnson and De Paoli references. This paper amends the claims in accordance with the language negotiated during the interview.

In the event that the examiner finds any remaining impediment to the prompt allowance of any of these claims, which could be clarified in a telephone conference, the examiner is respectfully urged to initiate the same with the undersigned.

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Respectfully submitted,



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